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Sir:

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United States Patent No. 4,655,771 issued April 7, 1987 to Wallstèn;
United States Patent No. 4,735,201 issued April 5, 1988 to O'Reilly;
United States Patent No. 4,954,126 issued September 4, 1990 to Wallstèn et al.;
United States Patent No. 4,994,069 issued February 19, 1991 to Ritchart et al.;
United States Patent No. 5,061,275 issued October 29, 1991 to Wallstèn et al.;
United States Patent No. 5,122,136 issued June 16, 1992 to Guglielmi et al.;
United States Patent No. 5,423,829 issued June 13, 1995 to Pham et al.;
United States Patent No. 5,522,836 issued June 4, 1996 to Palermo;
United States Patent No. 5,624,461 issued April 29, 1997 to Mariant;
United States Patent No. 5,639,277 issued June 17, 1997 to Mariant et al.;



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United States Patent No. 5,649,949 issued July 22, 1997 to Wallace et al.;
United States Patent No. 5,759,161 issued June 2, 1998 to Ogawa et al.;
United States Patent No. 5,846,210 issued December 8, 1998 to Ogawa et al.;
United States Patent No. 5,944,733 issued August 31, 1999 to Engelson;
United States Patent No. 6,102,917 issued August 15, 2000 to Maitland et al.; and
European Publication No. EP 0 992 220 published April 12, 2000 .

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